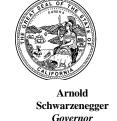


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August 24, 2005

Mr. Rob McLaughlin Eureka Sand and Gravel 4945 Boyd Road Arcata, CA 95521

Dear Mr. McLaughlin:

Subject: Coverage under Order No. R1-2005-0011, "General Waste Discharge Requirements

and Water Quality Certification for Discharges Related to Sand and Gravel Mining, Excavation, and Processing Activities, Including Asphalt and Concrete Operations,

on Non-Federal Lands in the North Coast Region"

File: Eureka Sand and Gravel – Hauck, Drake & Singley Bars

WDID No. 1B05045WNHU

On April 15, 2005, Eureka Sand and Gravel submitted an application to this office for Water Quality Certification and/or Waste Discharge Requirements. On June 2, 2005, we posted a public notice for your project on our web site and a 21-day public comment period has taken place. We did not receive any comments regarding your project.

On June 21, 2005, the Regional Water Board adopted Order No. R1-2005-0011, "General Waste Discharge Requirements and Water Quality Certification for Discharges Related to Sand and Gravel Mining, Excavation, and Processing Activities, Including Asphalt and Concrete Operations, on Non-Federal Lands in the North Coast Region (General WDR). Review of the application by Regional Water Board staff indicated that Eureka Sand and Gravel's lower Eel River extraction activities and processing facilities might be eligible for coverage under the General WDR. On July 26, 2005, Eureka Sand and Gravel submitted additional information to demonstrate that the extraction activities and associated processing facilities are eligible for coverage under the General WDR. On August 15, 2005 we received a check for \$372 to cover the remaining balance of the applicable fee.

This letter hereby informs Eureka Sand and Gravel that the proposed aggregate extraction activities at the Hauck Bar, Drake Bar and Singley Bar, and processing facilities at Alton, are now subject to the requirements of General WDR Order No. R1-2005-0011. The identification

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number for this project file will be WDID No. 1B05045WNHU. This number should be included on all future correspondence related to this matter.

We encourage all appropriate personnel to review and become familiar with the discharge requirements and prohibitions contained in the General WDR. Please call Dean Prat of our staff at (707) 576-2801 if you have any questions.

Sincerely

Catherine E. Kuhlman Executive Officer

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Enclosure:

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cc: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, District Engineer, P.O. Box 4863, Eureka, CA 95502 Ms. Jane Hicks, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Regulatory Functions, 333 Market Street, San Francisco, CA 94105